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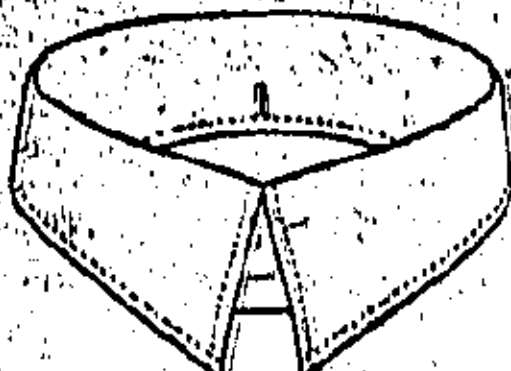
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BOMBS AGAIN.

ARRESTED CHINESE IN
COURT.

INVESTIGATIONS CONTINUE.

The case in which an unemployed
Chinese fitter and two women are
charged with unlawful possession
of two bombs is interesting in the
light of the recent outrage at Hung-
hom.

Defendants were again before
Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central
Magistrate's Court this morning when
Detective Inspector T. Murphy said
that his instructions were to ask
for another week's remand as the
result of subsequent developments
since they were brought to court
the last time.

The application was granted.

AFTER 28 YEARS.

PRESENTATION TO INSPECTOR
T. CASHMAN.

LEAVING FOR CORK.

On the occasion of his retirement
after 28 years' service with the
local police force, Divisional Inspector
T. Cashman, who leaves for
home to-morrow on the s.s. "Kash-
mir", was the recipient yesterday
of a presentation on behalf of
his colleagues.

The farewell gifts consisted of
a silver tea service, tray and cake
basket, bearing the inscription
"Presented to Divisional Inspector
Cashman by his colleagues of the
Hongkong Police Force on the
occasion of his retirement, March
12, 1926."

The presentation was made by
the Captain Superintendent of
Police, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, who re-
ferred to the retiring officer's
service in the Force and said that
he was a painstaking officer with
an excellent record.

Inspector Cashman suitably
replied.

Among those present were Mr.
T. H. King (Director of Criminal In-
telligence), Mr. C. G. Berdick (As-
sistant Director of Criminal In-
telligence), Captain Bloxham, Mr. W.
R. Scott (A.S.P.), Chief-Inspector
W. Kent and Chief-Detective In-
spector, J. Grant.

Up reaching Home, Inspector and
Mrs. Cashman with their four chil-
dren, intend to settle down in Cork.

AVOID COMMITMENTS

PRIME MINISTER'S ADVICE
TO M.P.'S.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 11.

In the House of Commons, Mr.
J. Ramsay MacDonald, Labour
Leader, asked the Prime Minister
(Mr. S. Baldwin) whether he had
any communication to make as to
how he proposed to deal with the
Coal Commission's report.

The Prime Minister replied:

"No; but I have asked the mem-
bers of the Cabinet to examine
the report with the greatest care
and sense of responsibility with a
view to arriving, after a study of
it, at definite conclusions with re-
gard to the numerous questions
in which Government action is in-
volved. I very much hope that all
parties concerned will study the
report and weigh the evidence and
conclusions, and avoid commit-
ments."

An Early Summons.

Later, it was announced that
three mine owners' representa-
tives and three miners' leaders
had been called to see the Prime
Minister this evening.

The Executives of both sides
had spent the day preparing their
respective views on the Coal
Commission's report, but appar-
ently neither side had looked for
this early summons to Downing
Street.

[An earlier cable appears in our
commercial section on page 2.]

MERCANTILE BANK.

The local office of the Mercantile
Bank of India, Ltd., has received
a telegram from the London Office
advising that at the annual general
meeting of shareholders a final di-
vidend of 8 per cent on the "A,"
"B" and "C" shares will be de-
clared (making 60 per cent for the
year 1925 loss income tax); that
£50,000 be carried to reserve fund
(raising it to £1,850,000) and that
£102,000 be carried forward.

As compared with last year the
dividend and amount carried to
reserve are the same. The amount
carried forward last year was
£158,000.

VICAR APOSTOLIC.

SUCCESSOR TO BISHOP
POZZONI.

APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCED.

The Very Rev. Father Spada
has received a telegram from the
headquarters at Milan that the
Holy Father Pope Pius XI. has
been pleased to nominate the Very
Rev. Father Henry Valtorta to be
the Vicar Apostolic of the Roman
Catholic Church in Hongkong in
succession to the late Bishop D.
Pozzoni.

The Very Rev. Fr. Henry
Valtorta was born in 1883 at
Carate (Milano, Italy). He
studied at the Theological Univer-
sity of Milan, was ordained in
1907, and arrived in Hongkong in
October, 1907, when he was
assigned for work in the New Ter-
ritory, the Sub-Prefecture of
Po-On, Weichow, and Hoifong.

He also has been Military and
Naval Chaplain to the Roman
Catholics in Hongkong, and is now
Rector of St. Margaret's Church,
Happy Valley. He is a good
linguist and his scientific attain-
ments augur well for a successful
career.

STRANGE CONDUCT.

SOLICITOR AND A POLICE
PROSECUTION.

MAGISTRATE'S COMMENT.

The action of Mr. C. A. S. Russ
in deciding not to prosecute in a
police case which he had under-
taken was described by Mr. R. E.
Lindsell at the Central Magis-
trate's Court as extraordinary.

The case concerned a Chinese
who was charged with an alleged
attempt to defraud his employers,
a comprador firm, by destroying
certain chits for goods supplied
in this position as canteen man-
ger on H.M.S. "Titania."

Mr. M. H. Turner, for the de-
fence, explained that he had seen
Mr. Russ and the latter wished to
withdraw from the case, as he was
unable to make out even a prima
facie case against the defendant.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that a
case had already been made out
on one charge.

Continuing, Mr. Turner said
that the assistant manager, who
kept the books and had charge of
the finances of the canteen, had
disappeared, and probably he was
the man who should be there to
answer the charge.

Mr. Lindsell thought it was
sensible to arrest a man, and in
discharging the defendant he sug-
gested that the breach of courtesy
on the part of Mr. Russ should be
reported to the Captain Superin-
tendent of Police because the
police were the real prosecutors in
the case.

AZALEA BLOOMS.

HORTICULTURAL EXHIBIT
IN COURT.

A COOLIE'S "FIND."

The table at Major Willson's
Court which generally holds a
motley array of bail books and
other property during the hear-
ing of cases was decorated this
morning with azalea blooms.

This horticultural exhibit was
provided by a scavenging coolie,
who, in answer to a charge of
unlawful possession, claimed to
have found the branch of flowers
in a side channel. Evidence,
however, showed that he took it
from Government property in
Garden Road.

Remarkable that it was a wilful
piece of damage, the Magistrate
imposed a fine of \$25, or fourteen
days' imprisonment.

The Home mail (letters only,
London February 11) via Nagspa-
tam is due at 5 p.m. to-day.

Internal haemorrhage was stated
to be the cause of the sudden death
yesterday of a house-boy in the
employment of Mr. E. L. Pliguet,
of No. 10, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

Boat people in the vicinity of
the Bowrington canal rescued from
the water a woman who attempted
to commit suicide yesterday.

The loss of a Remington type-
writer, valued at \$100, and \$40 in
money is reported to have been
placed from a University student's
room at Elliot Hall.

CHINA STATION.

SECURITY OF BRITISH
SUBJECTS.

"VINDICTIVE" DISCLOSURE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 11.

In the House of Commons, in the
course of his statement on the Navy
Estimates, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman,
First Lord of the Admiralty, said
that during last year the presence
of His Majesty's ships on the China
Station had done something to add
to the feeling of security of British
subjects there.

Commander D. C. Burney (Con-
servative, Uxbridge) interposed:
"Are you going to send out any
more?"

Mr. Bridgeman did not reply but
disclosed that the Vindictive
(which is at present in Hongkong)
is the first British cruiser to
carry catapult-launched aeroplanes.

FREE FIGHT.

SCENES IN JAPANESE
DIET.

BATTERED HEADS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, March 12.

Last night the session of the Diet
was broken up in the wildest dis-
order owing to general fighting
with fists between members of the
Government and the Seiyukai
Parties.

There were numerous battered
heads and noses, but no serious
results, the police separating the
combatants. The fight was caused
by the debate over charges and
countercharges of political
scandals.

It is intimated that the Diet may
be prorogued.

A telegram of March 5 stated
the Diet is investigating alleged
scandals with regard to military
administration during the period
when Baron Chichi Tanaka was
Minister of War. Large sums are
stated to be involved. The Govern-
ment Party is making a strong at-
tack as Baron Tanaka is now pre-
sident of the Seiyukai.

[A Tokyo report of March 6
stated: G. Mikame, former Military
Paymaster, has reported against
both Marshal G. Tanaka, President
of the Seiyukai Party, and Marshal
H. Yamamashi, who are alleged to
have misappropriated military
secret service funds while the two
Marshals were in actual service.
The charge has been taken up by
the Tokyo Public Prosecutor's
Office. The case is reported to in-
volve Yen 3,000,000 with a large
quantity of gold bullion and
alluvial gold which were seized in
Siberia during the War.]

DUTCH POLITICS.

COMPOSITION OF NEW
CABINET.

NO POLITICAL PARTIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

The Hague, March 11.

In the Second Chamber the new
Premier, Jonkheer de Geer, em-
phasised that the new Cabinet was
strictly extra-Parliamentary and
no member should be regarded as
representing any political Party.

The Government aimed at
economy, reduction of taxation,
vigorous co-operation international-
ly with a view to the general
limitation of armaments, the
establishment of a Ministry of
National Defence by the fusion of
the Ministries of War and Marine,
a continuation of the policy of
reducing the fighting services, in-
cluding, inter alia, entrusting the
defence of the country to mobile
forces, and increasing the country's
prosperity by the conclusion of
Treaties of Commerce and opening
new markets abroad.

The Government would resign as
soon as a Parliamentary majority
was formed. It would give an
opportunity to decide the question
whether the Legation should con-
tinue to be maintained at the Holy
See.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar,
on demand, to-day was 2/8 7/16.

PROSPECTS GOOD.

H.K. ELECTRIC COMPANY
MEETING.

INCREASE IN SALES.

Increases in both sales and the
number of consumers were re-
ported to-day at the 37th ordi-
nary yearly meeting of the Hong-
kong Electric Co., Ltd., held at the
offices of the company (F. & O.
building) this morning.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang pre-
sided. He was supported by the
Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Sir Robert
Ho Tung, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard,
Mr. T. G. Weall (directors) and
Mr. F. R. Marsh, M.I.E.E.,
(manager).

Shareholders present were
Messrs.—A. H. Compton, T. E.
Pearce, Henry Humphreys (as
attorney for Mrs. Dora Arm-
strong), L. J. Davies, C. W.
Sellers, P. E. Barker, V. Sorby,
C. G. Alabaster, J. T. Bagram, G.
Murray, L. E. Ozorio, O. Baptista,
O. F. Ribeiro, H. Ruttonjee, Leung
Yan-foo, Wong Ping-sun, Lo
Chang-kue, Chan Lim-too, Leung
Fat-lin, Ip Fook, Tong Hin-pong,
Wong Hing-kwong.

Chairman's Speech.

Addressing the meeting, the
chairman said:

"Gentlemen.—The report and
statement of accounts have been
in your hands for the prescribed
period and with your permission
we will follow the usual procedure
and take them as read."

"The net profit for the year
after making due allowance for
depreciation is \$1,309,965.12 and
with the sum of \$124,153.54
brought forward from last account
we have \$1,434,118.76 for appor-
tion."

"With this sum we propose:—
To pay a dividend of \$2.50
per share on 300,000 shares
absorbing \$750,000.

To place to reserve, \$600,000.

To carry forward to next ac-
count, \$84,118.76."

"The dividend and the amount
placed to reserve are the same as
for last year."

"The sales of current in 1925
amounted to a little over 25
million units as compared with
23 1/2 million units in 1924. This
output is below our estimate due
to the disturbed industrial con-
ditions prevailing during the
second half of the year. We
were able, however, to connect up
during the year 1,142 new con-
sumers so that with the return to
normal times we may confident-
ly expect a further increase in
the demand for electricity."

"The capital expenditure for
1925 amounted to \$830,906 and
you will notice that the greater
part of this was spent on mains
and sub-station plant."

26 Miles of Cables.

"During the year we laid over
26 miles of underground cable and
equipped five additional high ten-
sion sub-stations."

"We have extended our sub-
stations by the purchase of No. 3,
Wing Kut Street, where the build-
ing has been reconstructed, and
at Pokfulam where we are erect-
ing a new building upon land
leased from the Mission
Strangers. Both these sub-
stations will be equipped during
the present year. We have also
purchased a site on the main road
at Shaikwan and tenders have
been accepted for the sub-station
building which will be put in hand
in the near future."

"Good progress was made with
the scheme for housing the Com-
pany's technical staff and at the
end of the year the thirteen
houses at Causeway Hill were
nearly completed."

"Our plant at North Point has
been thoroughly overhauled dur-
ing the year. We have fitted the
two original turbines with a more
modern system of condensing
plant in place of the older pattern
now out of date. A new boiler
was put into commission in March
and this addition fills up all the
available plant space in the gen-
erating station buildings. Several
minor improvements have been
made in our boiler house plant
from which we expect increased
economy."

"We have installed a private
automatic telephone system con-
necting our offices, workshops and
most of our sub-stations, and this
has proved to be a great con-
venience."

Labour Saving.

"During the strike over 450 of

THE BANK CASE.

NO HEARING THIS
MORNING.

FINISH TO-DAY?

Owing to pressure of Court
chamber work, there was no
hearing this morning of the
case in which Moxon and Taylor
claim \$37,600 alleged to have
been lent by them to the Man
Chuen Bank.

The case is being continued
this afternoon when there is a
possibility of its ending.

In the witness box yesterday,
Mr. H. A. Lammert said that
G. P. and H. A. Lammert were
acting as agents of the Man
Chuen Bank in the transaction
which was the subject of the case.
If the contract had been fulfilled,
they would have been entitled to
\$150 from the buyer. In reply
to Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Lammert said
that he did not know what under
the agency contract G. P. and
H. A. Lammert would have been
losers by completing it.

Mr. Jenkins pointed out that
Lammerts would have had to pay
\$99,800 on Settlement Day
whereas they would only have got
\$39,200 from the Man Chuen
Bank. That would entail a loss
of 60 cents a share.

Mr. Jenkins: I put it to you, Mr.
Lammert, that there is only one
explanation to this document,
and that is you were not agents
for the bank.

Mr. Lammert: A mistake was
probably made by the clerk who
typed it out, or Messrs. Moxon
and Taylor were willing to
waive something. We would
not have a loss in that way, al-
though we were very friendly
with the Man Chuen Bank.

At this stage the case was
adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Heilbroun
arrived in the Colony to-day from
Manila by the "President Wilson."

A stone falling from the first
floor of a house at Bridges Street
slighted on the head of a Chinese.
At another place a woman was
struck on the head with a falling
bamboo. Both had to be sent to
the Government Civil Hospital.

Our Chinese workmen left without
notice. We have, however, a
competent European staff and
with the assistance of our local
staff and those Chinese who re-
mained loyal we were able to
maintain a normal supply of elec-
tricity. Great credit is due to our
European staff for the successful
maintenance of the supply dur-
ing a trying period and for the
rapid training of new workmen to
take the place of those who left
and have not returned to our ser-
vice, and I take this opportunity of
placing on record the directors'
appreciation of their ability to
cope with an emergency of this
nature.

"After the strike in 1922 we de-
cided as far as possible to install
labour saving devices in connec-
tion with our North Point plant,
and these improvements together
with our modern system of distri-
buting from sub-stations were of
great help to us during the labour
troubles of last year."

"I should like to draw your at-
tention to the 1926 edition of our
book containing particulars of the
supply and scale of charges, etc.,
copies of which you will find on
your chairs."

"The book has been brought up
to date and is now printed in En-
glish and Chinese. You will notice
that we sell current for lighting
from 16 cents to

FLOWER SHOW.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS ON PROSPECTS.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Clement visited the Flower Show yesterday after our edition had gone to press. Later in the day, Lady Clement gave away the trophies and was presented with a bouquet in a silver holder.

Mr. F. C. Hall, president of the Hongkong Horticultural Society, offered thanks to all those who had made the show a success, and to the H.K.V.D.C. for the loan of the ground.

The present committee comprises:

Mr. C. E. H. Lewis, Mr. Chou Pong-yan, Mr. H. E. Dowbiggan, Mrs. Dyer, Mr. H. Green, Mr. Ho Kom-tung, Mr. F. A. Perry, Mr. J. A. P. Munn, and Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. E. C. Hornell (Hon. Secretary), and Mr. A. Piercy (Hon. Treasurer).

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Armoured Car Company.

The Miniature Range at Corps Headquarters is at the disposal of the Armoured Car Company on Monday, March 15 at 5.30 p.m.

Rifle Meeting: April 4 and 5. Entries are required for The Machine Gun Competition and other events at the above meeting. Teams to consist of 1 N.C.O. and 2 men. Any N.C.O. who can get 2 men may enter and he will arrange his own training.

Entries to reach Headquarters by Monday, March 15.

Infantry Company.

Musket Course Part I will be fired at Stonecutters on Sunday, March 14, 1926.

Only those who have been specially detailed will fire.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. R. R. Davies, M.C., M.M.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets and pouches must be taken.

Arms: Will be drawn from Headquarters on Friday, March 12, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, March 13, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Scottish Company.

The Scottish Company will find the Guard of Honour on the occasion of the Investiture by H.R.H. Prince George, K.G., G.C.V.O. on Saturday, March 13.

The Guard will be in position on the lawn opposite the North Entrance to Government House by 10.40 a.m.

All ranks in the Guard of Honour will wear review order dress and orders and decorations. The Commander will be Lieut. D. C. Logan, M.C.

No. 6 (Kowloon) Platoon will parade at the Dockyard on Wednesday, March 17 at 5.30 p.m. for practice in Guard Mounting.

"Quarry Bay" Cup. Items 3 (Fire Control) and 5 (Guard Mounting) as detailed in orders of last week will be competed for at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, March 18 at 5 p.m.

Dress for Competitors as detailed for Guard of Honour.

Strength.

The following are taken on the Strength as follows:

No. 1027 Pte. A. T. Braley, No. 3 Platoon, as from March 5, 1926.

No. 1028 Pte. F. S. Gumley, M. I. Company, as from March 8, 1926.

No. 1029 Pte. R. A. Jardine, M. I. Company, as from March 8, 1926.

No. 1030 Pte. R. Y. Frost, A. C. Company, as from March 8, 1926.

No. 1031 Pte. R. MacIntyre, A. C. Company, as from March 8, 1926.

No. 1032 Gr. T. J. McCarr, Artillery Company, as from March 9, 1926.

No. 1033 Pte. J. C. Lyle, No. 2 Platoon, as from February 27, 1926.

Appointment.

The following is extracted from the Hongkong Government Gazette dated March 6, 1926.

"His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Company Sergeant-Major Henry Charles Macnamara to be Second Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from March 3, 1926."

Reversion.

No. 454 Corp. V. H. C. Jarrett, Engineer Company is permitted to revert to the rank of Sapper at his own request, as from March 8, 1926.

Transfer.

No. 454 Spr. V. H. C. Jarrett, Engineer Company is permitted to transfer to the Reserve Company, as from March 8, 1926.

Leave.

No. 423 Serr. G. T. Padgett, Engineer Company is granted 7 months' leave from April 1, 1926 to September 31, 1926.

No. 526 Spr. C. P. Bond, Engineer Company is granted 10 months' leave from March 20, 1926 to December 19, 1926.

No. 1002 Bugler C. R. Warren, No. 2 Platoon is granted 10

FASTER ROUTE.

LINKING UP WEST AND ORIENT.

POLAR EXPEDITIONS.

New York, March 2.

"The discovery of a new and faster route between the western world and the orient is the chief purpose of the half-dozen North Polar expeditions being planned for the coming spring and summer," declared Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Arctic explorer, in an interview today. Stefansson is acting as adviser to one of the expeditions which will hop off next May from Point Barrow, Alaska.

He said that he might go all the way to Point Barrow but would not attempt to accompany the planes in their dash toward Spitzbergen.

"The year 1926 seems destined to take its place in history along with the years of Columbus and Magellan's explorations," said Stefansson. "A new route across the roof of the world, shortening the journey from Europe of the far east by several weeks, would certainly rank with any of the discoveries of the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries."

He said that another reason for the many expeditions was the growing belief that a large body of land exists around the North Pole. He believed that land might be found on the edge of the continent. "You might as well search for a cow in a bird cage," said Stefansson, who believes a glance at the map will prove that no considerable body of land exists north of Alaska. He thought it possible that land capable of bearing vegetation and sustaining life might be discovered in the Arctic regions.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" on Mar. 11:—Mr J. A. Alf, Mr and Mrs C. L. Kaser, Mr H. C. Reaker, Mr W. Davies, Mr F. E. Hargreaves, Mr Geo. Hogg, Mr T. Hunter, Mr L. C. Rhodes, Mr D. W. Kwok, Mr T. C. Kwong, Mr H. Y. Kai, Mr Shao Ming-llin, Mr A. Mogabgab, Mr H. M. Isaydah, Mrs S. F. Tsai, Mr Wong, Mr and Mrs W. C. Davis, Mr James Simpson, Rev. and Mrs H. W. Stewart, Miss L. S. Stewart, Miss F. Stewart, Mr and Mrs N. S. Volkoff, Mr L. Menendez, Mr. Mrs and Master R. Phillips, Master L. Phillips, Master H. Phillips, Mr Bransley M. Pugh, Mr L. Polo, Mr Lal Jung-shin, Mr Ng Bing-foon, Mr C. M. Jackson, Miss Azevedo, Mr R. O. Hall, Mr T. Z. Kao, Mr S. K. Liang, Mr and Mrs I. B. Newcomb, Miss Newcomb, Mr and Mrs Sivkin, Mr T. S. Mai, Mr Y. L. O. M. C. Su, Master Su, Mr S. C. Tong, Mr W. C. Wong, and Mrs K. L. Wong.

BOY SCOUT RALLY.

By kind permission of H.E. the General Officer Commanding, (Major General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.) a Scout rally for the Prince of Wales' banner competition will be held in the grounds of Headquarters House, to-morrow, commencing at 3 p.m.

Four squad tests and one troop test will be given, and points will also be awarded for good average turn out, and correctness of kit, uniform, etc.

About fifteen troops will take part in the rally.

Further water restrictions are being put into force from Monday next. The Water Authority announces in an advertisement appearing in this issue, that the supply of water by means of house services to houses connected with the river mains from the City and Hill district water works, will be discontinued. A supply of water will be available from the street fountains in the river main districts.

months' leave from March 1, 1926 to December 31, 1926.

No. 789 Pte. E. A. Hartow, Armoured Car Company is granted 12 months' leave from April 1, 1926 to March 31, 1927.

Resignations.

The following are permitted to resign from the Corps.

No. 653 Pte. J. Miller, A.C. Company, as from February 8, 1926.

No. 321 Piper A. Ferguson, No. 5 Platoon, as from February 28, 1926.

Struck Off.

The following are struck off the strength, as from February 28, 1926.

No. 294 Pte. R. Stock, Mounted Infantry Company.

No. 685 Spr. A. H. Smart, Engineer Company.

No. 890 Spr. S. J. O'Shea, Engineer Company.

L. D. JOLL, Captain Adjutant, H. V. D. Corps

NOTICES.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co., 38, George's Building, Charter Road, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of March, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1925, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 24th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 9, 1926.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on FRIDAY, the 26th March 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1925.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 21st to the 26th March, 1926, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHEWSON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1926.

TO THE CONCERNED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that unless the sum of \$1230:— due for storage upon a quantity of articles which was stored at the Sui Heong Yuen Godown of Mongkok ex the Motor Vessel "WING HOI LEE" in May, 1919, is paid and the said articles cleared before the 15th instant, it will be sold by Public Auction to cover storage and expenses. Legal proceedings will be taken for the recovery of any deficiency.

HASTINGS, DENNIS & BOWLEY,
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Dated 8th day of March, 1926.

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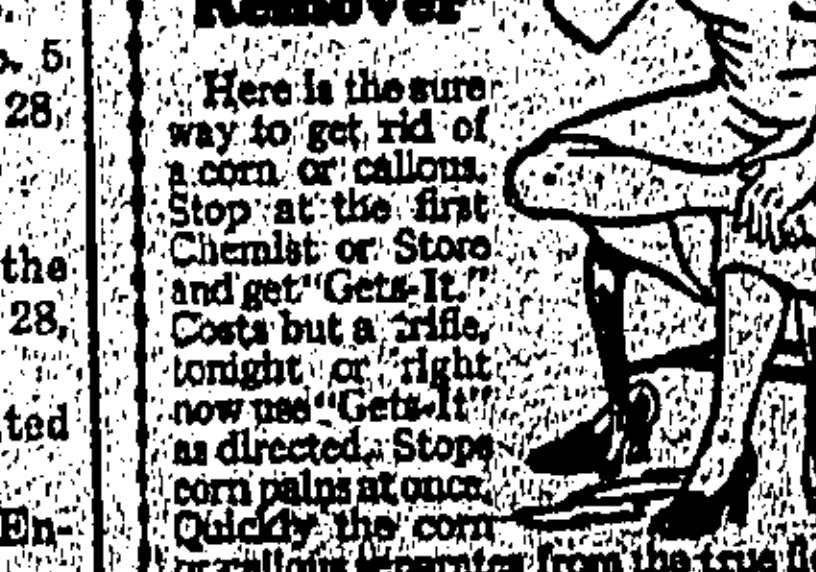
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NOTICES.

NAVAL CONTRACTS 1926-1927.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the R. N. Hospital until 10 a.m. on the 30th March, 1926, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork, Bread, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Aerated Waters, Ice, and other provisions, and necessities for the year ending 31st March, 1927.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R. N. Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tenders is reserved.

H. J. CHAYER,
Surgeon Captain, R.N.

R. N. Hospital, Hongkong, March 11, 1926.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DURING my Absence from the Colony Mr. C. R. MOLLIS will take temporary charge of this Company's Agency until further notice.

R. RODENFUSER,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 10, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE following is the Provisional List of dates upon which Extra Meetings will be held this Season:—

3rd April, 1st May, 5th June, 2nd October and early November.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 9, 1926.



Spent £100 On His Leg!

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"My bad leg was a legacy of the Boer War when I was wounded by poisoned bullets," says Pipe-Major W. M. McKenzie, of 39, Antfield Rd., Liverpool. "Though my case received special attention from the Army doctors, the wounds wouldn't heal. When I got back to England the leg went from bad to worse. There were three big running sores between my knee and ankle which continually discharged and caused really terrible pain. "I tried Medical treatment I tried scores of ointments and similar preparations. During the 24 years I suffered the leg must have cost me well over a hundred pounds. "The day I started with Zam-Buk proved a great one for me, for it soothed pain so wonderfully and brought such distinct improvement that it soon made me hopeful of a cure. As I persevered with Zam-Buk, all corruption was drawn out of the sores and new healthy flesh replaced the diseased parts. To-day, thanks entirely to using Zam-Buk, the leg is quite sound and strong I wear stout boots and walk with ease."

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. J. Reid and Mr. K. E. Greig, to sell by Public Auction

ON Monday, the 15th March 1926 commencing at 11 a.m.

at Corn Hill, Quarry Bay

A Quantity of VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

Tapestry Covered Couch and Armchairs, Drawing Room Suite, Carpets, Rugs, Engravings, Pictures, Clothes Hangers, Glass Cabinet, Case, Embroidered and Lace Curtains, etc., etc. A Teak, Brass and Iron Bedsteads with Mattresses and Mosquito Nets, Teak Single and Double Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Teak Dressing Tables with Bevelled Mirrors, Teak Chest of Drawers, Teak and Marble Top Washstands, Toilet Sets, etc., etc. Teak Extension Dining Table, Teak and Tapestry Covered Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Ice Chest, Teak Dinner Wagon, Cooking Utensils, Crockery, etc.

(Chairs will be available at the foot of the Hill for intending purchasers.)

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Sunday, the 14th March 1926.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1926.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON TUESDAY, the 16th March, 1926, commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 153, The Peak

A Quantity of VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

(Particulars from Catalogue).

On View from Monday, the 15th March, 1926.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. Auctioneers.

ON TUESDAY, the 16th March, 1926, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at No. 76B, N. Shan Road, Kowloon

A Quantity of VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Comprising:—

Blackwood Jess Table, Blackwood Tea Poy, Tapestry Covered Couches and Armchairs, Teak Glass Cabinet, Teak Double Bedstead with Wire Mattress and Mosquito Net, Teak Wardrobe with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Dressing Table with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Chest of Drawers, Teak Desk, Teak Tables, Teak Dining Table, Teak Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror, Teak Dining Chairs, Ice Chest, Cutlery, Crockery.

ALSO One Gramophone and 18 Records.

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LAMMERT BROS. Auctioneers.

ON Friday, the 19th March, 1926, commencing at 11 a.m.

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NAVAL PROTECTION.

Very little of real local interest was disclosed in the First Lord's statement on the Navy Estimates, or in the subsequent debate, in the House of Commons yesterday. It is true that reference was made to the presence of His Majesty's ships on the China Station last year doing something to reassure British residents of adequate protection during the various crises, but with due deference to the First Lord that is only what is to be expected as occasion arises. It is a form of insurance of British subjects abroad for which the British taxpayer at home cheerfully pays, besides which there are from time to time indirect contributions from the Colonies, as witness Hongkong's generous contribution last year. This contribution was once again alluded to by the First Lord yesterday, when he spoke of the amount to be spent this year on the Singapore Base, revealing that of the expenditure of £225,000 the British Government would have to pay only £95,000, the balance being taken from the remainder of Hongkong's contribution, a portion of which, it may be remembered, has already gone toward the construction of the floating dock for Singapore.

The only other local reference was in regard to the "Vindictive," when Mr. Bridgeman disclosed that this is the first British cruiser to be built with catapult-launched aeroplanes. In passing, it is curious to see that the First Lord spoke of the "Vindictive" as being on her way to China, although she has been in Hongkong waters since February 22. He was pressed by a Conservative member in the person of Commander D. C. Burney to state whether it is proposed to send any more warships out to China, but he discreetly refused to be drawn. If, as Mr. Bridgeman stated, the presence of His Majesty's ships on the China Station has added to the feeling of security on the part of British subjects out here, it is no less reassuring to find that this same aspect is kept to the fore in the mind of the Admiralty, and that on the occasion of any future crisis an appeal for the despatch of further warships will not be made in vain. The process of "showing the flag" in troubled waters has usually a two-fold effect, for while it induces confidence in the hearts of British subjects, it likewise serves

the very excellent purpose of showing to others that the Union Jack is as powerful at sea as it is on land.

Although the community here is undoubtedly interested in the Singapore Base, it is not to be expected that any great enthusiasm will be evinced over that part of the debate in the House of Commons in which the old bogey of a Far Eastern war was once again trotted out and the threadbare allegation reiterated that Japan and China have had their suspicions raised as to the object of the Base. It was thought that that delusion had been shattered long ago as the outcome of the speeches by Japanese statesmen who see nothing in the construction of the Base to warrant the slightest misgivings in Japan. Apparently Singapore is anathema to certain M.P.'s at home, and they cannot hear the word without experiencing a nervous upset. It is only a pity that a more suitable place than the House of Commons cannot be found for these dismal Jeremiahs.

PASSPORTS.

The League of Nations Second International Passport Conference is to meet in Geneva in May next. All the Governments of the world have been invited to attend, and a number of international organizations, such as the International Union of Railway Administration and the International Chamber of Commerce, the two latter taking part in the discussions in an advisory capacity. It is five years since the League held its first passport conference, and the replies of the Governments to a recent questionnaire, sent them by the League's advisory and technical committee for communications and transit show that, while a number of States are still not prepared to abolish the passport system altogether, there is a general desire to go a good deal further than the Paris Conference of 1920. The coming conference is expected to take at least a step towards the abolition, to the widest extent possible of the passport system, and to mitigate considerably the disadvantages and expense which that system entails for the relations between peoples and for international trade facilities. If this step is taken, most people will applaud it. The passport horror, as it is generally known, is a product of the great war. It was a step made necessary by the war, and few there are to argue that it is altogether unnecessary. A passport then as it is now—is a testimonial of no little worth. When holders have objected it has been on the reasonable ground of the trouble, to which they have been put to obtain the passports, the cost of them, and the cost of visas. There has been a feeling of imposition and a suspicion that certain countries were making a fine penny out of it. These objections have not wholly disappeared, but we are tending toward the abolition of all of them. Whether the time will arrive when there will be no need to possess a passport cannot be said. Probably the Locarno spirit will invade this particular realm of officialdom and we shall reach the time when the passport will be considered as a mere formality, and will be abolished.

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her to any particular country. In the present state of politics the world over, and the temper of politicians of a certain hue, this seems to be far distant. The coming Conference will consider what facilities the Governments are prepared to grant to make the issue of passports and visas easier; that they should hold good for five years, should be valid for all countries, and should not cost more than what it costs the Governments. On the principle of half a loaf being better than no bread, many will wish the Conference success in this part of its deliberations.

THEY SAY THAT—

"A safe rule is not to talk about another person at all unless you can speak good of his name."—Frank W. Crowder.

"Beware of your eyes. They don't always tell the truth."—Sir William Bragg.

"When I came to New York I was told it was an ugly, commercial and material city, given over entirely to work and the pursuit of wealth. But, instead, I found it to be a city exemplifying the most vital movements in modern architecture and art."—Henry Berenger.

"Are we going to continue to allow foreigners to acquire all our chateaux, and lands, thanks to the rate of the pound and the dollar?"—M. Jaurès.

"It would be very helpful if all candidates for the teaching profession were required to show their ability to use good English."—Katherine K. Robbins.

"At the beginning, all Christianity could have been summed up in two words, 'Follow me'."—Harry E. Fosdick.

"If ever a man was tempted—lured even by his friends to compromise with evil—it was Lincoln."—Kenneth B. Welles.

"Aren't we putting the multiplication tables ahead of the Sermon on the Mount?"—William McAdoo.

"There should be neither Protestant nor Catholic, native-born nor immigrant, white man or black, but that all moved by a common impulse, should promote the peace and welfare of their country in the daily interminglings of common life."—Chandler Robbins.

"The success of peace machinery in the last analysis will depend upon the extent that the spirit of the love of God controls the actions of mankind."—C. Everett Wagner.

OBITUARY.

MR. JOHN GIBSON.

The death took place at the French Hospital last night of Mr. John Gibson, of the Green Island Cement Company, following a brief illness in the course of which he underwent a serious operation. The late Mr. Gibson was 81 years of age. He had originally come to Hongkong, six years ago, with Jardine, Matheson and Co. and had also been with the Tarkoo Sugar Refinery before he went to the Green Island Cement Company.

Having served in the Royal Navy during the war in surface craft and submarines, the late Mr. Gibson held a chief engineer's certificate when he first came to Hongkong.

Much sympathy will be extended to the widowed mother at Hume and to the deceased's sister, the wife of Mr. James Adams, of Kowloon Dock, and his brother-in-law.

FIRST AID.

YAU MATI MEMBERS TO THE FORE.

First aid was rendered by two members of the Yau mati Division of the St. John Ambulance Association to a small boy who sustained injuries to his head after having been knocked down by a motor cycle, at the junction of Temple Street and Public Square Street, on Tuesday evening.

The case was taken subsequently to the Kwong Wah Hospital for further treatment.

Keep It Handy.

Do not forget that there are more bottles and cans of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the world than there are of any other medicine. It is good for the children and the grown-ups. Every user is a friend to his country.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The Chinese tempera-
Change in ment seems to be
China, changing so rapidly
that some quite
modern films and stories will soon
be out of date unless something is
done about it quickly. An essential
in all film crime stories is the placid
Oriental, who grows more and more
placid in proportion as the bomb-
fuse burns shorter and shorter, and
things look all up with the hero,
bound hand-and-foot (47th episode
next week). Young China today
seems to be throwing placidity to
the winds, and to be the prey to
that peculiar Western weakness
which we call nerves. In a few
years time it looks as if young
China will be gathering fifty thou-
sand strong and killing each other
at football matches.

Now that the comple-
tion of the Australian
Match Tip test, team is
accomplished, cricket
memories will have freer play.
One recalls, for example, the
curious conditions obtaining when
the first M.C.C. team went to Aus-
tralia. The tour was arranged by
private enterprise. Spiers and
Pond were responsible, and their
officials met the team at Melbourne
and drove them round in a coach
and four. At the first match the
British players wore white helmets
and long sashes. These sashes
were all different colours, and the
colours were shown against the
programme. Although such condi-
tions would be ludicrous to-day,
our authorities might at least take
a tip from this first team and pro-
vide some means of identification
of the players for the humble
casual cricket spectator.

AN HISTORICAL MYSTERY.

All the world loves a mystery,
and a large part of the world loves
a crime. Therefore Judge Parry
has been well advised to take again
the story of the Overbury case.
As a murder—if it was a murder
—it stands alone in history, for it
brings a King of England into
suspicion of helping to poison a
man who had offended his
favourite's lust. As a mystery it
still defies the research of the
learned and the imagination of the
ingenious, for no satisfactory
explanation of the queer conduct of
the chief actors has yet been
devised. People at the time
thought it was the strangest thing
that had ever happened, and they
had seen the Gunpowder Plot, and
were only thirty years away from
the Armada. The father of the
man who was (or was not) mur-
dered tells us (remarks the London
"Daily Telegraph") that for a
quarter of a century after the death
he was usually followed in the
street by a crowd calling, "There
goes Sir Thomas Overbury's
father." This is indeed a
story of poisoning is embroiled
with the lurid colours of
Court intrigue, of a great lady's
adulterous passion, of the plots of
high policy, of sorcery, and of
witchcraft. Judge Parry is well
aware of the fascination of these
elements. His account of "The
Overbury Mystery," which Fisher
Unwin publishes, is as good reading
as a novel. He has no solution of
his own, distrusts other people's
opinions of the case, and austere
declines to "bend the facts" to fit
any theory. Yet we close his book
with a feeling that he has been
rather kind to "the pitiful beauti-
ful woman" who pleaded guilty to
a charge of murder, rather harsh
to the man who died in the Tower,
rather incurious as to the part of
his Majesty King James I.

But let us sum up the admitted
facts. "Our British Solomon,"
James I., came to England provided
with a handsome favourite, Robert
Carr, who could do anything with
and get anything from his Majesty.
The favourite had himself a
favourite, a clever young Oxford
man, Thomas Overbury, who be-
came his chief adviser in the task
of rising in the world. The King
had from his accession set himself
to reverse the Elizabethan policy
of hostility to Spanish power.
The leader of the Spanish party in
England was the Earl of Northamp-
ton, who had a niece of great
beauty. Judge Parry's theory is
that Northampton used this girl
Frances to secure Carr to the
Spanish side. It is very possible.
Carr was equally capable of desir-
ing the girl in order to obtain the
Howard influence. But there is
reason to believe that the passion
was sincere on both sides, and at
least as hot in the lady as in the
man. The fact that she was
already married was inconvenient,
but the King was ready to do what
he could, which was much. The
husband, Lord Essex, unkindly re-
fused to arrange a divorce. The
King appointed a Commission to
try a suit for nullity of marriage,
and when, in spite of scolding, the
majority were stubborn, put in new
members to vote a decree. Now
Overbury had been very willing
that Carr should make Lady Essex
his mistress, and wrote love-letters
and poetry for him. By all the
signs Carr was a dull dog. But to
his marrying the lady Overbury
was bitterly opposed. He had
reason enough in her manner of
life. Probably he was opposed to
the politics of her family. She was
furious, and her uncle, Northamp-
ton, arranged that Overbury should
be sent to the Tower, and a new
lieutenant appointed to take charge
of him. There was no difficulty
The King was jealous of Overbury's
intimacy with his favourite. Carr
was in the arms of the lady. On
April 24, 1613, Overbury went into
the Tower. On September 18, 1613,
in the Tower, he died, and a jury
of widders and fellow-prisoners at
once gave a verdict of natural
death. And Carr and Lady Essex
married and all was well. Two
years afterwards it happened that
a Secretary of State came upon
evidence that Overbury had been
poisoned.

Without lack of clarity we may
believe that evidence would never
have been heard of if Carr had kept
the King's favour. But he was a
stupid creature. He behaved like
a spoilt child, and his enemies, the
anti-Spanish party, brought in,
a rival, another handsome youth,
George Villiers. Before long
Villiers was all in all to his
Majesty, and Carr's enemies dared
to strike. The Spanish party had
lost Northampton, its best leader.
They could not stand against the
attack. The evidence was most
unpleasant. Lady Essex had dealt
in poisons, black magic, and witch-
craft. There had been figures of
men and women, philtres and spells,
parchments inscribed with the
names of devils, and insults to the
Blessed Trinity. There were also
much arsenic and a clyster of
sublimated mercury. The under-
lings, the purveyors and mini-
strants of poison, were tried and
hanged. Lady Essex stood her
trial and pleaded guilty. The
King endeavoured to extract a
confession from Carr, and met a
stubborn refusal. Carr also was
tried, and with one voice the peers
brought him in guilty. That was
the end of it. Neither the man nor
the woman was hanged. In a little
while they were both pardoned and
free. Only the wretched creatures
they employed were punished.
And a puzzled world still asks why.
That we submit to Judge Parry, is
the most intriguing problem
of the Overbury case.
We should not care to say that
Overbury died of poison. His
health was so weak, his treatment
in the Tower was so brutal, that
the poison may have been super-
fluous. It is a matter for medical
evidence, which cannot be given.
But of the intention to murder,
there can be no doubt. The sub-
stitution of officers in the Tower is
damning, the testimony to the ad-
ministration of poison is over-
whelming. To the change of the
Lieutenants of the Tower the King
must have been privy. In the po-
isoning the apothecary of the King's
physician was involved. Yet that
physician was never called at the
trial. That the King was jealous
of Overbury is established. Some
have thought this evidence amounts
to more than suspicion. We cannot
feel it so. James I. was a contem-
plative creature, but we judge him too
cowardly to dabble in murder.
Why, then, did he pardon Carr and
Carr's wife? It was grossly un-
popular. It was by any plain read-
ing of the evidence unjust. Carr
was out of favour, and the
dominant influence at Court, his
supplanter Villiers, had no reason
for mercy. The greatest historian
of the period, himself inclined to
partiality to James, thought the par-
don was given because Carr knew
more about the King's dealings with
Spain than his Majesty cared to
have told. But what could a man
tell who was hanged? It may be
that the Spanish party had some
secret to explode upon the King if
he sacrificed their instrument.
But in such an explosion the
Spanish interests must have been
destroyed. No more plausible is
the theory that Carr could have
exposed shameful secrets of King
and Court. The answer again is
"stone dead hath no fellow," the
dead are silent. What, indeed,
could Carr have told worse of
James than common fame? Yet
some reason there must have been.
We incline to believe that it must
be found in the King's cowardice.
He was all his life following the
will of the wisp, or of an alliance
with Spain. He would do anything,
he sacrificed Raleigh rather than
offend Spain. Imagine him, it is
his character, in a panic, at the
exception of Carr should offend the
Spanish Ambassador, and the
Spanish party, and we have the
pardon explained.

"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

SOCCER VISITS.

SHANGHAI PORTUGUESE COMING?

NOTES & COMMENT.

[By "Dutchie"]

The following soccer games are scheduled to take place to-morrow:

Senior Shield.

Royal Artillery v. Club de Recreo, Sookumpoo "A" ground, 4.30 p.m.

League I.

Police v. H.M.S. "Tamar," St. Joseph's ground, 4.30 p.m.

League II (Sec. A).

South China "A" v. St. Joseph's College, Club ground, 3 p.m.

League II (Sec. B).

South China "C" v. University, Sookumpoo "A" ground, 3 p.m.

With the season drawing to a close as far as league football is concerned, the various games outstanding are not of much importance for the championship in each division is pretty well decided.

The destination of the senior shield is still open, although it looks very much as if Kowloon and the Surrey will again figure in the final. They still have a pretty strong opposition to meet before reaching the last lap, and accidents may happen.

In the two senior shield games to be played to-morrow, that at Sookumpoo seems the only one in which the result looks like a foregone conclusion for, judging by previous results between these two teams, and present form, the Recreo XI is bound to win.

The other game does not seem so open. Although Kowloon are a strong combination, playing away from home is not one of their strong points, and on the Club ground they are likely to be upset by the difference in size of pitch. In the league last week, the Club gained a very creditable victory over the "Tamar," but they will need to play much better if they hope to win to-morrow.

The only game in the senior division of the league will take place on St. Joseph's ground, between the Police and "Tamar," and on present form, the Police should improve their position in the table.

The Chinese "A" team meet the College eleven in the junior "A" section of the league, and are expected to win. The Chinese "C" team is also expected to dispose of the University lads but only by a narrow margin.

To-night at the Hongkong Hotel, local soccer enthusiasts will gather together to welcome Mr. R. Grimshaw, president of the Shanghai Football Association. Mr. Grimshaw is passing through the Colony on his way home, and the local Association is taking advantage of the opportunity to entertain him to dinner. A very enjoyable evening is foreshadowed.

I understand that the Shanghai Portuguese Football Club have accepted an invitation from the local Portuguese soccer clubs to send a team down here to play. This will be in the nature of a return visit, as it will be remembered that our local Portuguese team went to Shanghai last year, and were defeated by the odd goal in three, after extra time. They will be all out to reverse that decision this year. The games are scheduled to be played during Easter week.

FOOTBALL.

Hongkong Club v. Kowloon.

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong Club in their Shield tie with Kowloon to-morrow, on the Club ground (kick-off 4.30 p.m.):—Rodger, Gerrard and Bishop; Summers, Howard, and Watson; Ellis, Forsyth, Brodie, MacBride, and Morrison.

Reserves:—Johnstone, and Lyon.

The Kowloon F.C. team for the senior shield tie with the Club to-morrow is:—Avery, Wheeler, Read, Turner, Sims, McKelvie, Taylor, Cavellie, Linaker, Duncan, Hayes. Reserves:—Millard, Sibley, Pasco.

MISS RYAN.

WINS DIXIE TENNIS SINGLES.

TWO STRAIGHT SETS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Miami, March 11. Miss Ryan has won the Dixie lawn tennis singles championship, defeating Miss Browne 6-3, 8-6.



Miss Ryan.

HOME SOCCER.

WEDNESDAY STILL IN FORM.

LEAGUE, DIVISION II.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 11. In division II of the English Football League to-day, Swansea drew with The Wednesday, 2-2.

The Wednesday are promotion candidates, as will be seen in the table:

Division II.			
	P.	W.	L.
Derby	31	19	6
Wednesday	31	20	4
Chelsea	31	15	9
South Shields	31	16	4
Swansea	29	15	5
Oldham	30	15	5
Middlesbrough	33	17	1
Port Vale	31	15	4
Blackpool	32	13	7
Wolves	31	13	5
Hull City	31	12	7
Portsmouth	31	12	7
Bradford	31	11	8
Preston	31	13	4
Southampton	32	11	6
Darlington	33	10	8
Barnsley	31	9	10
Stoke	31	9	6
Fulham	29	8	7
Clapton	29	8	5
Notts Forest	29	7	7
Stockport	32	6	7

ARMY SOCCER.

TRIANGULAR TOURNEY RESULT.

BRITAIN BEATS FRANCE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, March 11. In the international Army triangular soccer tournament, the British Army beat the French Army by 2 goals to nil.

HOLDER WINS.

BANTAMWEIGHT BOXING CHAMPION.

(Associated Press.)

St. Louis, March 4. Phil Rosenberg, the bantamweight boxing champion, successfully defended his title last night against George Butch of St. Louis in a ten round fight.

SUNDAY CRICKET.

The following will be the teams in a whole-day cricket match between Dr. Ponsomby Fane's XI and the University XI this Sunday, start at 11 a.m. on the University ground:

Dr. Ponsomby Fane's XI.—Dr. R. A. Ponsomby Fane, Lt.-Col. A. S. Cantrell, R.M., Lt. T. B. Halsey, R.N., Mid. Stephenson, R.N., Mid. Simms, R.N., E. J. R. Mitchell, G. R. Sayer, W. Hunt, J. H. B. Nihil, Captain D. J. Allfree, J. L. Youngs.

University XI.—A. A. Rumjahn, H. N. Balhatchek, A. S. Hett, C. W. Lam, W. M. Gittins, D. Laing, Dr. D. K. Samy, S. Bachmann, E. Zimmerman, S. V. Gittins, B. P. Ng.

CRICKET VENUES.

LOCAL MATCHES FOR SATURDAY.

SEVERAL "FRIENDLIES."

According to the fixture cards, the cricket matches for to-morrow include one in the junior league (not having a bearing on the championship) and four "friendlies."

The fixtures are as under:—

League II.

University 2nd XI v. Police R.C. on the University ground.

Friendly.

Club "Outcasts" v. Royal Navy on the H.K.C.C. ground.

Kowloon C.C. 1st XI v. Royal Artillery on the K.C.C. ground.

Craigengower C.C. v. Royal Engineers on the C.C.C. ground.

Civil Service C.C. "A" v. Hongkong C.C. 2nd XI on the C.S.C. ground.

HEAVY DEFEAT.

ROYAL NAVY CRICKET XI AT KOWLOON.

TWO BIG SCORERS.

Lieut. Halsey and Lt. Com. Ammitage, who have butted very consistently for the Royal Navy this season, were mainly responsible for the big score which the senior service put up against Kowloon C.C. yesterday, when the home team lost by 142 runs. Score:—

KOWLOON C. C.			
A. W. Ramsay, b. Bennett	2		
J. C. Loyal, b. Halsey	4		
Capt. Bensley, c. Mack, b. Halsey	7		
Capt. B. W. Morris, b. Bennett	5		
Capt. R. A. Watters, c. and b. Bennett	9		
C. Jones, c. and b. Halsey	8		
A. R. F. Raven, b. Bennett	14		
F. C. Pavitt, run out	18		
E. B. Morton, b. Halsey	2		
S. B. Spillier, not out	8		
Extras	10		
Total	82		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Bennett	13	3	47
Halsey	12	3	25

ROYAL NAVY.			
Pay Lt. Hussey, b. Loyal	1		
Lt. Com. Ammitage, c. Raven, b. Morris	68		
Lt. Clifford, c. sub, b. Jones	2		
Mid. Dickens, c. Loyal, b. Morris	12		
Lt. Halsey, c. and b. Jones	93		
Com. Gray, c. Morris, b. Loyal	10		
Pay Lt. Nave, b. Morris	5		
Capt. de Berry, b. Loyal	1		
Lt. Com. Mack, run out	0		
Lt. Nicholson, not out	12		
Eng. Lt. Bennett, b. Loyal	0		
Extras	20		
Total	224		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Jones	13	3	43
Loyal	15	1	70
Ramsay	2	1	20
Morris	10	0	71

TENNIS TOURNEY.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AT H.K.C.C.

Results of matches played yesterday in the annual H.K.C.C. tennis tournament were:—

Open singles (1st round).—R. E. Coxon beat S. R. Ismail 6-3, 6-1, 6-3. Open doubles (1st round).—Yew Mau-kit and C. W. Cheng beat S. E. and D. S. Green 6-2, 5-7, 6-4, 2-6, 8-6. (2nd round, bye).—R. Hancock and F. A. Redmond beat H. Lo and C. Choa 6-2, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. Handicap doubles (second round, bye).—G. W. Sewell and E. J. R. Mitchell (owe 5/8) beat R. L. Moncrieff and D. J. Clerk (rec. 4/6) 6-1, 6-0. Major C. Willson and N. L. Smith (owe 4/6) beat E. H. J. Larkcom and A. J. L. Whyte (ser.) 7-5, 6-1. Further ties scratched include:—Open singles (1st round).—H. Lo w.o. from F. B. Grosse, R. M. Henderson w.o. from W. H. Choa. Open doubles (2nd round, bye).—N. Trambitzky and J. W. Leonard w.o. from B. H. Wong and H. C. Hung.

FANLING HUNT.

The Fanling Hounds meet to-morrow at the Sheungshui police station at 2.45 p.m., and on Sunday at "Annandale," Jardine's bungalow, at 10.45 a.m.

PROSPECTS GOOD.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Second's Speech. Rising to second, Mr. A. H. Compton said:—

"Mr. Chairman and gentlemen—I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report, and statement of accounts and in doing so I should like most particularly to congratulate the directors and the company's agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co., Ltd.) upon the very excellent result of the year's working, notwithstanding the great labour difficulties that the company has had to face during the period under review."

"The appropriation of six lakhs to reserve and the payment of a dividend similar to that for last year will, I feel certain, meet with the approval of all shareholders."

"I am glad to notice that, although the output for 1925 did not quite come up to the estimate, there was a substantial increase over the sales of current year 1924. It is also gratifying to learn that, in spite of the disturbed industrial conditions, the number of our consumers has actually increased during the year."

"We have all listened with interest to the account of the new works carried out during 1925. It has always been the policy of the directors to maintain our plant in an up-to-date condition and to extend our installation to meet present and future demands and I feel certain that a continuation of this policy will at all times have the wholehearted support of the shareholders."

"The maintenance of a normal supply of electricity during the trying days of the strike, when the greater portion of our Chinese workmen left us without notice, is an achievement of which our European staff and those associated with them may well be proud and all will agree that the greatest credit is due to them."

"With these few remarks I beg, Sir, to second the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as presented." (Applause.)

There being no questions, the proposition was carried unanimously.

Other business comprised:—Election of Mr. D. G. M. Bernard as director (in place of Mr. B. D. F. Reith, resigned), re-election of Sir Robert He Tung and Mr. T. G. Weall, the retiring directors.—Proposed by Mr. T. E. Pearce, seconded by Mr. Henry Humphreys.

Election of Messrs. Linstead and Davis, the retiring auditors, at a fee of \$1,000.—Proposed by Mr. L. J. Davies, seconded by Mr. G. W. Sellers.

Dividend warrants are now ready.



Mrs. Robert W. Imbrie.

Mrs. Robert W. Imbrie, widow of the American Vice-Consul at Teheran, Persia, is fighting to recover her \$2,000 indemnity paid for his murder by the Persian Government. Comptroller McCall claims that \$1,800 spent on cable messages to settle the case should be deducted from the sum.

COBHAM'S FLIGHT.

SAFE ARRIVAL AT ATHENS YESTERDAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cairo, March 11. Mr. Alan Cobham has left Sullum for Athens.

Athens, March 11. Mr. Alan Cobham has arrived here.

BAPTISM RITE.

DID THE CHIEF ORDER MURDERS.

KILLING THE WITCHES.

"I killed all those people, but it was because I believed them to be witches and Chief Shauwila had instructed me to kill all the witches I found in his country."

This, in a nutshell, is the story of Tomo, or Mwanalela, the Nyanaland native who is the principal of the 26 prisoners on trial at Broken Hill, Rhodesia, for the murder of natives by drowning them, having first got them to enter the water for a supposed baptismal rite.

Tomo gave evidence with a blanket wrapped around him, concealing the loss of both his arms. He said he knew the victims were witches, and that it was against the will of God to be a witch. Describing his arrest by native messengers, he said he was beaten and his arms were tied behind his back with a bark rope which went into the flesh. The rope was untied when the hands began to bleed. He was taken to Broken Hill in a motorcar, where the doctor amputated his arms above the elbow.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1926.

In London.	
Bank, Wire...	2/3 1/2
On demand...	2/3 1/2
30 days' sight...	2/3 1/2
6 months' sight...	2/3 1/2
Credit, 4 months' sight...	2/3 1/2
Documentary, 4 months' sight...	2/3 1/2
On Bank...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
Credit, 4 months' sight...	12 1/2
On Berlin...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
On New York...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
Credit, 60 days' sight...	12 1/2
On Bombay...	12 1/2
Wire...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
On Calcutta...	12 1/2
Wire...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
On Singapore...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
On Manila...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
On Shanghai...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
30 days' sight (private paper)...	12 1/2
On Yokohama...	12 1/2
On demand...	12 1/2
Overseas (Bank's buying rate)...	8.53
Silver (per oz.)...	30 7/16
Bar Silver in Hongkong...	8 1/2 p.m.
Chinese Copper Cash...	10 1/2 p.m.
Chinese Copper Cash...	8 1/2 p.m.
State of Native Interest...	nom.
Chinese Sub. Colln...	10 1/2 dls.
Hongkong Sub. Colln...	1 1/2 dls.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

(British Wireless Service.)

Barby, March 11.	
Paris...	123.60
New York...	4.894
Brussels...	107
Geneva...	25.25
Amsterdam...	12.13
Milan...	131
Berlin...	18.42
Stockholm...	19.13
Copenhagen...	18.87
Oslo...	22.37
Vladivostok...	34.5
Prague...	184
Helsinki...	193
Madrid...	34.49
Lisbon...	74
Rio...	46
Buenos Aires...	164
Bombay...	304
Shanghai...	934
Hongkong...	10 1/2 1/16
Silver Spot...	30 7/16
Forward...	3 1/2

HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting "Machine" which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doherk during the years 1887, 1888, and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water, and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

March 12 to 18, 1926.

Date	High Water	Low Water
Feb.	Standard Time	Standard Time
Fri. 12	9.53	4.53
Sat. 13	10.53	3.53
Sun. 14	11.53	2.53
Mon. 15	12.53	1.53
Tue. 16	1.53	12.53
Wed. 17	2.53	11.53
Thurs. 18	3.53	10.53

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 12, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Value of Shares.
E.T. on London	2/3 1/2	2/3 1/2	2 3/4
E.T. on Shanghai Banks.	76	76	nom.
Hongkong Bank	1040 b.	1040 b.	\$1035 b.
do. London.	2125 n.	—	\$125 n.
Chartered Bank	212 1/2 n.	220 1/2 n.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. do. C.	230 b. 213 1/2 b.	220 1/2 n. 213 1/2 n.	—
P. & O. Bank	205 1/2 n.	205 1/2 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	\$78 b.	\$77 b.	\$76 b.
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	605 b.	600 b.	\$600 b.
China Underwriters	1.00-1.05 sa.	2.30 n.	1.90 b.
North China Insurance.	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance	283 b. 285 sa.	282 b. 285 sa.	\$282 b.
Yangtze Insurance	44 1/2 b.	44 b.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance.	165 b.	165 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	555 b.	540 b.	540 b.
Shipping.			
Douglases	30 n.	26 b.	26
Hongkong Steamboats.	23 1/2 n.	23 1/2 n. 23 1/2	23 1/2
H.K. Tugs & Lighters.	252 b.	4 n. 1 sa.	252 b.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	40 n.	—	45
do. () H.K.	—	45 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	250 n.	250 n.	—
Shell Transport	90 3/4 b.	90 5/8 n.	92 1/6 n.
Star Ferries	\$65 b.	65 1/2 b. 65 sa.	\$65 b.
Water-boats	15 b.	—	15 1/2 b.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	21 1/2 b. 28 sa.	27 b. 28 sa.	28 1/2 b.
Malabon Sugars	39 n.	35 n.	50 n.
Mining.			
Benguet	1 1/2 n.	—	—
Kallian Mining Ad.	42 1/6 b.	42 1/6 n.	47 1/6 n.
Lampyats (Combined)	23 b.	17 1/2 b.	7 23 b.
do. (Single)	11 b.	11 b.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5 s.	5 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	7 n.	7 n.	—
Rauha	\$5 b.	\$5 b.	—
Tronoh Mines	55 1/2 b.	55 1/2 b.	6
Ural Caspians	8 1/2 n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$111 b. 132-2	131 b. 132 sa.	\$130 b. & sa.
H.K. & W. Docks	61 1/2 b. 1 1/2 sa.	62 b.	62 1/2 b.
Hongkew	T170 b.	—	165 b.
New Engineerings	5 b.	T 5 1/2 b.	5 1/2 b.
Shanghai Docks	98 b.	95 b.	94 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old).	10.10 sa.	10 sa.	10 b. & sa.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	64 1/2 b. 65 sa.	65 b.	65 1/2 n.
H.K. Realty	5 1/2 b. 5 sa.	4 1/2 s.	5 1/2 b.
H.K. Territorials	54 s.	6 s.	6 s.
Humphreys Estates	145 b.	14 b.	14 b.
Princes Building	120 s.	110 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 n.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Two Cottons	T 9.65 b.	T 9 1/4 b.	T 9 b.
Oriental	3 n.	2.90 b.	3 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old).	54 b.	54 s.	55 s.
do. (new)	28 b.	27 s.	27 s.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices.	\$7 1/2 n.	\$7 s.	\$7 s.
Cements (comb.)	16 1/4 b.	16 1/2 b. & sa.	16 b.
do. (old)	13 1/4 b.	13 1/2 b.	13 1/2 b.
do. (new)	3 b.	3 b.	3 b. & sa.
China Buses	T 10 1/2 b.	21 b. 21.40-1/2	21 b. 21 1/2 sa.
China Lights (comb.)	21 1/2 b. 21 1/4	15 b. 15 sa.	15 1/2 b.
do. (old)	15 b. 21.40sa.	12 b.	12 b.
do. (new)	21 1/4 s.	8 b. & sa.	8 1/2 b.
China Prov. (comb.)	8 sa.	—	—
do. (old)	—	—	—
do. (new)	—	—	—
Dairy Farms	20 b.	19 1/2 b. 20 sa.	19 b.
Der A Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	8 s.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements.	11 1/2 b.	11 1/2 b.	—
H.K. Constructions	3 b.	3 b.	4 s.
Hongkong Electrics	61 1/2 b. 62 sa.	62 b.	62 b. 62 1/2 sa.
H.K. Developments	25 cts n.	30 cts b.	25 b.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	30 s.	—	35 s.
do. (old)	12 n.	13 1/2 s.	13 s.
do. (new)	7 n.	8 1/2 s.	8 1/2 s.
Hongkong Tramways	25 b. 25 1/2 sa.	24.80 b. 25 1/2 sa.	25 b. & sa.
Lane, Crawford	10 1/2 b. 10 sa.	10 1/2 s. 10 sa.	12 s.
Macao Electric	40 n.	—	—
Macintosh	21 1/2 n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	12 1/2 b.	—
Peak Trams (old)	16 1/2 b.	16 b.	18 b.
do. (new)	7 b.	8 n.	9 s.
Sinceres	7 1/2 s.	9 1/2 b.	10 1/2 b.
Singapore Trams	8 1/2 s.	8 s.	—
Taxis	4 s.	3 b.	2 1/2 b.
United Asbestos	20 n.	—	—
do. (Founders)	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18 n.	—
Watsons (old)	12 n.	10 b.	11 1/2 s.
do. (new)	11 s.	—	—
Wm. Powells	10 s.	9 1/2 s.	11 s.
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DAVID LLOYD GEORGE'S DAUGHTER.
Mr. D. Lloyd George cut short a vacation trip in Italy and rushed home to be at the bedside of his daughter, Megan, who underwent an operation for appendicitis.



FAY LAMPHIER.
"Fight 'to the finish'" is promised by Fay Lamphier, "Miss America of 1925," in a suit filed by an Oakland publicity man who charges breach of contract. He alleges, in his suit, that Miss Lamphier won the contest "on her smile."



Although James Esposito (five) has won \$4,000, by a court verdict for loss of his leg under a city truck, he is not happy about it. He prefers to play with his little friends.



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Members of the "feminine bloc" in the U.S. Congress are opposed to the Volstead Law. Mrs. Mary T. Norton (left), New Jersey, and Mrs. Florence P. Kahn (right), California, have boldly come out and joined the "beer bloc." Mrs. Edith N. Rogers (below), Massachusetts, admits that she favours modification of the prohibition laws.



SEN. GERALD P. NYE.
By a combination of independent Republicans and Democrats, the right of Gerald P. Nye a North Dakota editor, to a seat in the United States Senate was upheld by a small margin.



New York suffered severely from heavy fogs lately, traffic being virtually paralysed on the streets and in the harbour. These girls took no chances, and carried lanterns for protection.



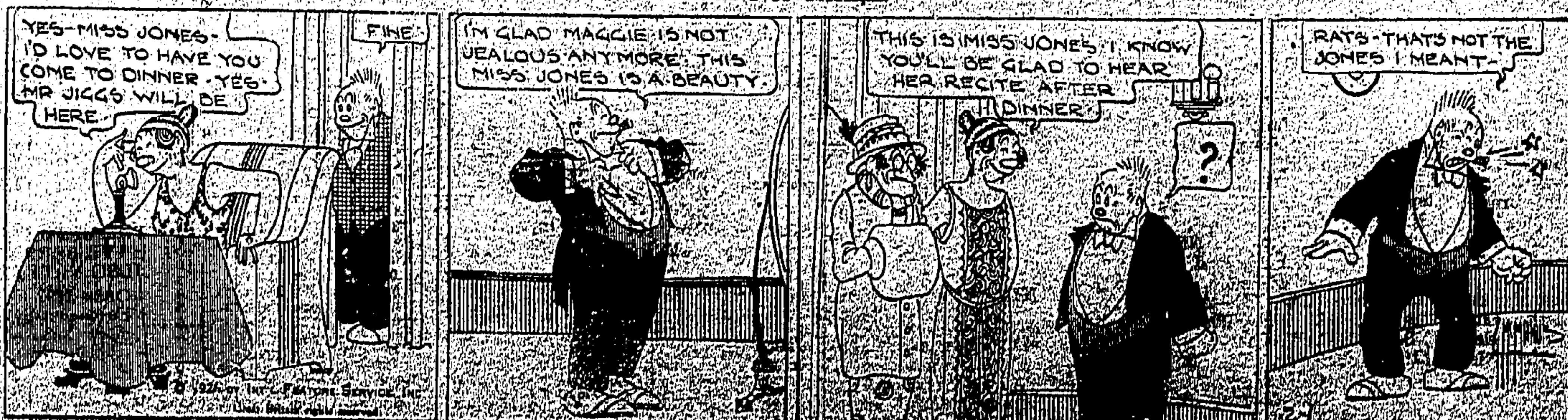
Below: COUNTESS OF SUFFOLK & MRS. NANCY LATHROP CAMPBELL. Below: LADY METCALFE & LADY CYNTHIA MOSELY.
British noblewomen, heirs of the late Levi Z. Loffer, the Chicago multi-millionaire, will make an effort in American courts soon, to have Joseph Loffer removed as executor of the \$10,000,000 estate. Among those who will participate in the suit are the Countess of Suffolk, Mrs. Nancy Lathrop Campbell, Lady Alexandra Metcalfe and Lady Cynthia Mosely.

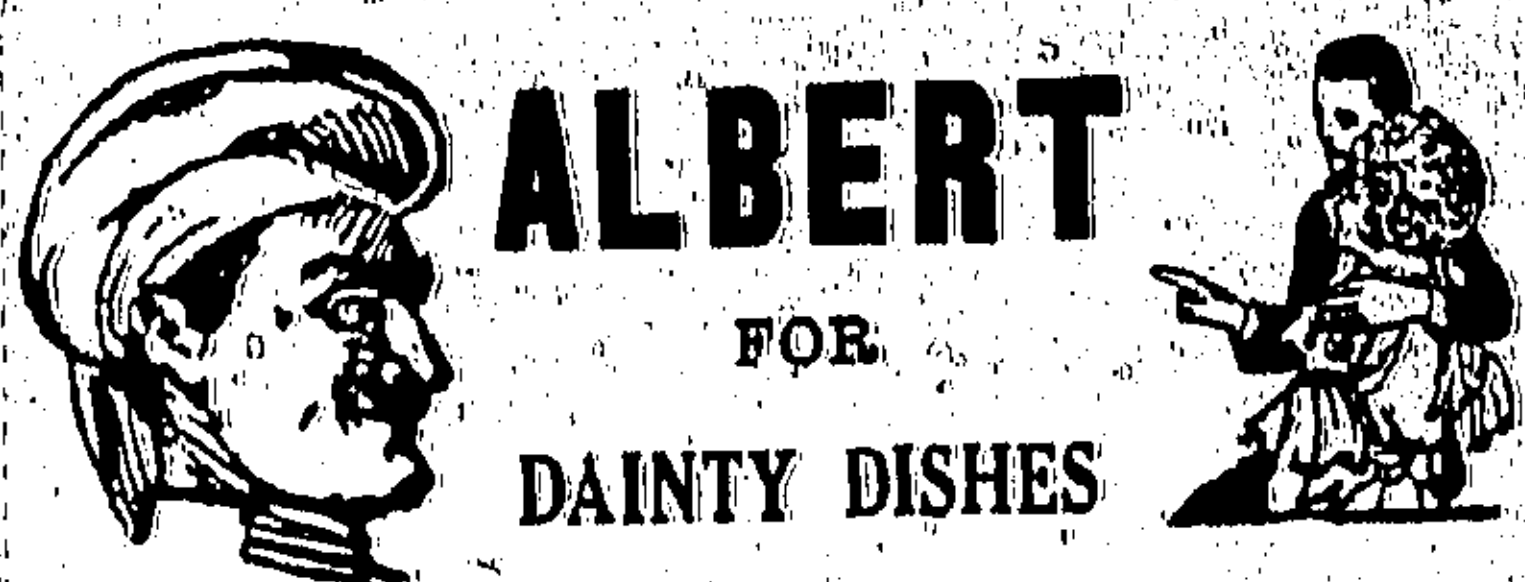
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Exit Zeppelin Terrace.

Demolition gangs are busy removing the unsightly excrescences on the roof of the Admiralty, which were built to afford extra accommodation for the office staffs during the war. No one will regret their disappearance, for "Zeppelin Terraces," as they were facetiously called, were extremely ugly, and quite spoiled the imposing skyline of the building as viewed from St. James' Park and the Mall. The only brickwork was the extension of the chimney stacks and piles of sandbags are now being used to protect the main roof from the impact of the falling debris, vividly recalling the hurried precautions that were taken in many buildings in the Metropolis after the first visits of the enemy airplanes.

An Accomplished King.

King Ferdinand of Rumania has a much stronger hold upon the affections of his people than is commonly thought abroad. He is a good all-round sportsman and drives his own motor-car, though over 60, and thoroughly understands it. He is a very early riser and breakfasts with his family, courtiers appearing first at lunch. He receives Ministers during the morning and, if there is time, has a game of golf on the course recently laid out. He has been ordered golf for his health. Though he began to play at 55 he has made very rapid progress. In the afternoon he walks or motors, always driving himself. He has been suffering from hardened arteries and took baths in Normandy last year, which did him much good. He seldom misses a concert, and playing the piano is one of his favourite recreations. He speaks English, French and Russian fluently, besides Rumanian, and German. He has been learning Hungarian since the war, in compliment to his Hungarian subjects, and has made extraordinary progress in this most difficult language.



The great film star, who was in a Vienna brawl.

Explosion in Mouth.

Warning of the dangers of using a mixture of ether and oxygen in dental practice is issued by Prof. H. Dixon, F.R.S. Some months ago a man died in London as a result of an explosion of this mixture in his mouth. Dr. Charles F. Hadfield, hon. secretary of the anaesthetics committee of the Medical Research Council and the Royal Society of Medicine, states in the "Lancet" that he has learned from Prof. Dixon that mixtures of ether and oxygen ignite at comparatively low temperatures. It must be admitted (writes Dr. Hadfield) that the metal tube of a dental dressing syringe used for drying purposes might easily be at a temperature above the danger point (200 degrees Centigrade) without such a possibility occurring to the operator unacquainted with the facts.

German Fleet in 1918.

Prince Max of Baden, who was German chancellor when the Great War ended, has interposed in the dispute that has arisen about the German Admiralty's plan for attacking the British Fleet at the end of October, 1918. There was a serious mutiny of men of the fleet at Kiel at the time, caused by the fact that Admiral von Scheer had arranged to attack the British Fleet in spite of the fact that the Government was seeking an armistice. The Socialist reporter of the appropriate Reichstag committee contended that the mutiny saved Germany from the evil results of a mutiny of the admirals. The admirals declared that the men delivered Germany into the hands of the enemy. Prince Max of Baden declares categorically that Admiral von Scheer concealed from him the fact that he meant to launch an attack.

Club Member At 7.

During the 30 years that have elapsed since its foundation, the Bath Club, Dover-street, W., has counted among its members four generations of Sir Harold Boulton's family. Sir Harold was one of the founders, his father and his son afterwards became members, and now his grandson has been elected a junior member at the age of seven. The grandson's use of the club premises will be confined to the swimming bath.

Zoo Finance.

The London Zoo has completed a survey of the year 1925—the most prosperous in its history—with the exception of 1921. Visitors numbered 1,823,822, and the total collected at the gates was 258,596. In addition, there was the sum paid at the turnstiles of the new Aquarium—£10,750—representing a total of 423,567 people who went to see the fish. A census of all the Zoo creatures, taken at midnight on December 31, gave the following figures:—

Mammals	746
Birds	1,791
Reptiles	622
Fish	8,080

The insect House does not appear to count or to be counted. This may appear to be a grievance, but the line must be drawn somewhere, otherwise the colony of giant American cockroaches (which has established itself without permission under the Reptile House) might demand to be included. The takings at the gates and turnstiles—£25,355—is by no means the total income of the Zoo. There are the Refreshment Room profits, the Fellows' subscriptions, and the fares paid by elephant passengers.

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